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Dear FOIA Officer:

I am a journalist with National Public Radio (NPR News), and I am writing to request the following records from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Freedom of Information Act:

**I. Records Requested**

- All written communications between the office of United States Senator Mitch McConnell (R-Kentucky) and the EPA between Jan. 1, 1985, and Jan. 1, 1991.

As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable non-exempt portions of the documents.

I am requesting electronic copies of these records, to be delivered by email, if possible. If that is not possible, please contact me to discuss other options for disclosure.

**II. Request for Fee Waiver**

I request a waiver of all fees for this request.

As a journalist for National Public Radio (NPR News) -- a non-profit, non-commercial news network that is chiefly engaged in journalism in the public interest -- I will use this information solely for the purpose of informing the public about the operations of the federal government.<sup>1</sup>

Disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest, because it relates to the operations of the federal government and decisions made by elected leaders and public servants using taxpayer dollars.

In the event that fees are not waived, I am willing to pay fees for this request up to a maximum of \$50. If you estimate that the fees will exceed this limit, please inform me before processing my request.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me by phone at 310-815-4376 or by email at [tdreisbach@npr.org](mailto:tdreisbach@npr.org).

Thank you for your consideration of this request, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom Dreisbach".

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.npr.org/about-npr/192827079/overview-and-history>